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Monday February 9th 1891

4:20 in cave

Sompson's Palace Route 1 trip

I went hunting this morning, up the gulch, and shot one rabbit. Had about an hour work to get it. After dinner I went over to Capt. H. S. to get some grub. At 6:30 AM Elmer and J. M. Moore arrived from Hotel Springs. At 7:40 P.M. J. M. Moore and I started in the cave. We went on the M. B. R. Branch of the Sompson's Palace Route. On the North end and East side of Monte Cristo Palace, we found crystalized gypsum.

Tuesday February 10th /891

9:40 in cave

Bee Hive Route 1 trip

(J. M. Moore and I went hunting this morning but were not successful). At this end of Around Building Rest, we found a passage leading straight ahead & to the left: our first discovery was some crystalized gypsum and wind cave marble. We went through a long over leading nearly due East, & came into a fine triangular shaped room with flat roof & rough floor. We tried to get straight ahead but failed. We then found a passage leading to the right and came unexpectedly in the room that Walter Starling and Hoy Springs Neb. and I found on the 23rd day of January 1891. From there we took a North East course through a long over that came suddenly to a stop unless we climbed up, which we did with a will, but could not get far. We then concluded to start for the entrance. I loaded up three pieces of Marble (crystallized) to take with me and a few samples of crystalized gypsum. When we arrived at crystal spring J. M. Moore got his sack of tobacco that he forgot on our way in. We arrived at the entrance at 2:40 A.M. & went straight way to bed; at 11:20 A.M. I shot a rabbit, with the shot going back of the house, who was going to pull the Wagon Bridge on the road. This evening I made a sneak on a rabbit, near the upper entrance, and shot it. At 7:50 P.M. I started on a pleasure trip to the Bee Hive.